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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully request that the references relating to the above-mentioned application listed herein in reverse chronological alphabetical order be considered and made of record in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

- A. Callahan, Jr. et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,786,062 issued July 28, 1998;
- B. Pacifici, U.S. Appln. No. 09/201,977 filed December 1, 1998;
- C. Callahan, Jr. et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,672,404 issued September 30, 1997;

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- D. Schwartz, U.S. Pat. No. 5,524,998 issued June 11, 1996;
- E. Rodriguez, U.S. Pat. No. 5,453,141 issued September 26, 1995;
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- G. Yamamoto et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,376,420 issued December 27, 1994;
- H. Calhoun et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,273,805 issued December 28, 1993;
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- Q. Levi, U.S. Pat. No. 4,422,672 issued December 27, 1983;
- R. Ruses, GB 42016372 published September 26, 1979;
- S. Michel, U.S. Pat. No. 3,900,642 issued August 19, 1975.

The referenced citations are listed in the accompanying PTO Form 1449. Copies of the references are submitted herewith.

Identification of the references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449 is not to be construed as an admission of Applicants or Attorneys for Applicants that such reference is available as "prior art" against the accompanying application.

No Office Action on the merits has been received in the instant Application.

Therefore, Applicant believes that no fee with this submission pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3).

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Respectfully, submitted,

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